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### WORLD PULSE OUTPUT: BEAN PRODUCTION UP; LITTLE CHANGE IN PEAS AND LENTILS

World production of edible dry beans and lentils was larger in 1975 than in 1974, while outturns of dry peas and garbanzos were smaller.

Dry edible bean production in 35 reporting countries increased about 2.2 million hundredweight (cwt) over 1974's total.

The largest increase was in Mexico, where production—stimulated by a \$22 per cwt price support—increased from the frost-damaged 1974 crop of 19,840,000 cwt to 24,250,000 cwt. After importing 140,000 tons in 1974/75, Mexico is expected to export at least 30,000 tons in 1976.

U.S. production of 17,196,000 cwt was 15 percent less than the record 1974 crop and about 500,000 cwt below the 10-year average. Michigan Pea beans and Great Northerns were cut sharply, while the Pinto crop soared to 6,377,000 cwt. California-grown Limas were smaller by one-third, and the Blackeye crop was about one-half of the 1974 crop.

Canadian production was down about 100,000 cwt, with the Pea bean component down from 1.8 million to about 1.6 million cwt. About 750 tons of Black beans were produced in Manitoba under contract on 1,650 acres.

Argentina boosted its acreage to 148,000 and another record crop is projected. About 50,000 tons were exported in 1975.

The Romanian crop is estimated at 1,874,000 cwt—down 7 percent from the 1974 level. Exports to West Germany in the first quarter of 1976 have been reported.

The Australian crop is expected to meet about 50 percent of domestic requirements.

Dry edible pea production in 22 reporting countries was down only slightly from the revised 1974 estimate. Smaller crops were harvested in the United States and Morocco, with most other major producers near or above the 1974 level.

U.S. production of dry peas (excluding Australian Winter and wrinkled seed peas) at 2,731,000 cwt was 15 percent below the 1974 level but 64 percent above that of 1973. Yields averaged 1,449 pounds per acre, compared with 1,515 in 1974 and 1,221 in 1973.

The United Kingdom, perennially the largest importer of dry peas, increased its production to 1,984,000 cwt—10 percent over that of 1974 and 20 percent above the 1973 crop.

Canada and New Zealand also harvested slightly larger crops than in 1974.

Lentil production in 18 reporting countries was about the same in 1975 as in 1974. The United States and Spain produced bumper crops. Production was also up in Iran, Turkey, and Morocco, but down in Jordan and Syria. While no official figures are available for lentil production in the USSR for 1975, the crop is believed to be down substantially. Reports from West Germany indicate that imports from the Soviet Union during the period January-November 1975 amounted to only 3,500 metric tons, compared with 9,800 tons during the same period in 1974.

Garbanzo production in 17 reporting countries in 1975 was 3 percent below that of 1974, continuing what appears to be a downward trend.

Mexico, the primary source of U.S. imports, harvested 223,000 cwt more than in 1974. Spain, India, Pakistan, Syria, Turkey, and Morocco all reported smaller crops.

BEANS, DRY EDIBLE <sup>1/</sup>: PRODUCTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES, ANNUAL 1970 THROUGH 1975

Continent and country	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 <sup>2/</sup>
	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.
<b>North America:</b>						
Canada .....	1,114	1,747	1,910	1,731	2,128	2,011
Costa Rica .....	187	225	205	110	306	357
Dominican Republic ..	635	617	661	441	795	635
El Salvador .....	661	750	595	838	741	811
Guatemala .....	1,543	1,698	1,190	1,499	1,477	1,675
Honduras .....	1,213	1,213	772	1,058	1,213	1,058
Mexico .....	22,046	24,251	20,723	22,487	19,840	24,250
Nicaragua .....	977	990	750	882	864	977
Panama .....	73	73	69	66	90	88
United States .....	17,399	15,916	18,015	16,389	20,343	17,196
Total .....	45,848	47,480	44,890	45,501	47,797	49,058
<b>South America:</b>						
Argentina .....	871	1,301	1,279	2,542	2,396	3,329
Brazil .....	48,750	55,100	51,750	52,470	49,339	50,265
Chile .....	1,590	1,828	1,431	1,649	1,631	1,653
Colombia .....	1,433	1,726	1,675	1,479	1,982	2,000
Peru .....	1,276	1,166	1,054	904	772	794
Venezuela .....	1,010	1,032	1,285	661	659	837
Total .....	54,930	62,153	58,474	59,705	56,779	58,878
<b>Europe:</b>						
<b>EC:</b>						
Belgium-Luxembourg	32	33	22	66	75	93
France .....	1,146	891	650	683	558	507
Germany, West ....	64	88	50	44	30	42
Italy .....	3,560	3,053	2,690	2,614	2,471	2,447
Netherlands .....	251	216	254	273	323	307
Total EC .....	5,053	4,281	3,666	3,680	3,457	3,396
Greece .....	1,389	1,230	1,036	1,080	992	970
Portugal .....	1,190	1,146	1,124	1,102	880	794
Romania .....	1,609	2,050	1,984	1,830	2,013	1,874
Spain .....	2,425	2,315	2,778	2,713	2,491	2,579
Sweden .....	37	40	36	22	44	46
Yugoslavia .....	4,145	3,748	3,593	4,365	3,946	3,549
Total Europe .....	15,848	14,810	14,217	14,792	13,823	13,208
<b>Asia:</b>						
Iran .....	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,543	1,499	1,764
Japan .....	2,568	1,964	2,134	1,720	1,578	1,631
Turkey .....	3,093	3,375	3,505	3,263	3,197	3,086
Total .....	7,061	6,739	7,039	6,526	6,274	6,481
<b>Africa:</b>						
Angola .....	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400
Malagasy Republic ...	1,257	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
South Africa, Rep. of	948	982	1,152	1,014	1,503	1,175
Ethiopia .....	1,590	1,630	1,675	1,720	1,058	660
Total .....	5,195	5,312	5,527	5,434	5,261	4,535
<b>Oceania:</b>						
Australia .....	67	45	138	22	58	77
Grand Total .....	128,949	136,539	130,285	131,980	129,992	132,237

<sup>1/</sup> Includes generally all beans of the species "phaseolus vulgaris" (haricot or kidney-shaped beans) and "phaseolus lunatus" (lima beans).

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PEAS, DRY EDIBLE: PRODUCTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES, ANNUAL 1970-1975

Continent and country	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 <sup>1/</sup>
	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.
<b>North America:</b>						
Canada .....	979	1,156	952	955	1,008	1,075
United States .....	3,315	3,930	2,103	1,665	3,228	2,731
Total .....	4,294	5,086	3,055	2,620	4,236	3,806
<b>South America:</b>						
Argentina .....	399	370	265	355	425	395
Chile .....	187	176	194	275	139	176
Colombia .....	672	631	631	728	639	661
Peru .....	429	348	287	353	364	370
Venezuela .....	68	66	66	65	26	37
Total .....	1,755	1,591	1,443	1,776	1,593	1,639
<b>Europe:</b>						
<b>EC:</b>						
Belgium-Luxembourg.	292	290	240	88	150	161
France .....	1,058	1,190	832	617	474	573
Germany, West .....	102	138	67	66	57	79
Italy .....	265	220	175	110	99	106
Netherlands .....	855	680	233	205	513	483
Total EC .....	2,572	2,518	1,547	1,086	1,293	1,402
Romania .....	3,417	2,712	2,006	1,433	1,000	925
Spain .....	595	551	507	220	198	220
Sweden .....	176	309	220	110	176	137
United Kingdom .....	1,918	1,615	1,615	1,587	1,764	1,984
Total Europe .....	8,678	7,705	5,895	4,436	4,431	4,668
<b>Asia:</b>						
Iran .....	375	375	375	441	441	551
Japan .....	128	132	117	105	99	88
Pakistan .....	1,800	1,550	1,800	1,962	2,249	2,205
Turkey .....	88	93	110	88	88	88
Total .....	2,391	2,150	2,402	2,596	2,877	2,932
<b>Africa:</b>						
Morocco .....	1,323	1,080	1,433	816	2,729	2,173
<b>Oceania:</b>						
New Zealand .....	1,143	1,218	1,260	1,268	1,415	1,444
<b>Grand Total .....</b>	<b>19,584</b>	<b>18,830</b>	<b>15,488</b>	<b>13,512</b>	<b>17,281</b>	<b>16,662</b>

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LENTILS: PRODUCTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES, 1970-1975  
(In thousand hundredweights)

Continent and country	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 1/
<b>Americas:</b>						
Argentina .....	196	210	123	150	284	309
Chile .....	247	258	229	282	267	265
Colombia .....	198	187	176	185	198	220
Mexico .....	135	135	117	167	137	146
Peru .....	31	14	32	31	33	33
United States .....	737	943	1,004	834	876	1,325
Total .....	1,544	1,747	1,681	1,649	1,795	2,298
<b>Europe:</b>						
France .....	172	315	167	148	185	240
Greece .....	220	196	156	154	154	154
Italy .....	109	105	87	73	68	70
Spain .....	683	728	947	926	1,124	1,300
Total .....	1,184	1,344	1,357	1,301	1,531	1,764
USSR .....	1,300	1,124	860	2,183	1,235	900 2/
<b>Asia:</b>						
Iran .....	375	375	375	400	441	551
Jordan .....	110	441	573	265	692	339
Lebanon .....	15	20	18	26	68	59
Pakistan .....	1,792	1,792	1,850	596	743	626
Syria .....	1,275	1,345	2,115	595	1,839	1,459
Turkey .....	2,028	2,227	2,315	1,477	2,645	2,866
Total .....	5,595	6,200	7,246	3,359	6,428	5,900
<b>Africa:</b>						
Morocco .....	441	397	595	251	604	756
Grand Total .....	10,064	10,812	11,739	8,743	11,593	11,618

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Estimated.

(Source as below)

GARBANZOS (CHICKPEAS): PRODUCTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES, 1970 THROUGH 1975  
(In thousand hundredweights)

Continent and country	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 1/
<b>Americas:</b>						
Argentina .....	100	76	84	101	110	198
Chile .....	119	156	205	110	108	132
Colombia .....	304	287	287	309	254	265
Mexico .....	3,461	3,748	4,079	2,178	1,735	1,958
Peru .....	66	65	44	55	57	59
United States .....	68	85	60	98	83	119
Total .....	4,118	4,417	4,759	2,851	2,347	2,731
<b>Europe:</b>						
Greece .....	305	403	441	573	529	397
Italy .....	778	661	545	441	412	418
Portugal .....	432	331	309	375	310	350
Spain .....	2,138	1,631	1,875	1,940	1,719	1,367
Total .....	3,653	3,026	3,170	3,329	2,970	2,532
<b>Asia:</b>						
Burma .....	1,275	1,565	1,895	1,830	1,875 1/	1,985
India .....	122,258	114,617	112,567	100,023	90,366	89,396
Iran .....	551	551	551	575	551	772
Pakistan .....	12,141	10,900	11,250	12,213	13,470	11,795
Syria .....	1,100	1,300	1,300	617	1,329	589
Turkey .....	2,403	2,932	4,034	4,079	4,299	3,527
Total .....	139,728	131,865	131,597	119,337	111,890	108,064
<b>Africa:</b>						
Morocco .....	2,072	772	1,720	1,741	2,729	2,174
Grand Total .....	149,571	140,080	141,246	127,258	119,936	115,501

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